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By: Samir Dutt

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

SHAYESTEH et al.

Application No.: 08/905,508

Filed: August 4, 1997

For: GENETIC ALTERATIONS  
ASSOCIATED WITH CANCER

Examiner: Not Assigned

Art Unit: 1815

PETITION TO EXTEND TIME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants petition the Assistant Commissioner of Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated September 16, 1998 for two months, from October 16, 1998 to December 16, 1998. An appropriate response to the Office Action in the form of a Continued Prosecution Application is enclosed herewith.

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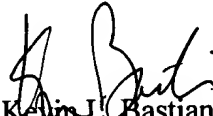
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